

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

Claim 1. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of loteprednol or a pharmaceutically tolerable ester thereof and at least one antihistamine.

Claim 2. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the antihistamine is ~~a topically administrable~~ nasally or ocularly antihistamine.

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the antihistamine is azelastine ~~and/or~~ levocabastine.

Claim 4. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the pharmaceutically tolerable ester is loteprednol etabonate.

Claim 5. (Currently Amended) A method for the treatment of disorders of the lower ~~and/or~~ upper airways and the eyes ~~and/or for the treatment of allergies~~, comprising

administering to a ~~patient~~ person in need thereof, an effective amount of loteprednol and at least one ~~topically~~ intranasally or intraocularly administrable antihistamine, optionally together with customary excipients or vehicles, for simultaneous, sequential or separate administration.

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein ~~such~~ said administration is intranasally or intraocularly simultaneously, in succession or independently of one another.

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, ~~which is~~ wherein the substance is administered as an inhalable liquid ~~or solid~~ preparation.

Claim 8. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 5, which is administered orally.

Claim 9. (Currently Amended) A method for the treatment and prophylaxis of allergic airway and eye disorders ~~and/or allergies~~, comprising administering to a patient person in need thereof, an effective amount of loteprednol ~~or a pharmaceutically tolerable ester thereof~~ and at least one intranasally or intraocularly administrable antihistamine, wherein the loteprednol or a pharmaceutically ~~tolerable~~ acceptable ester thereof and the antihistamine(s) are ~~mixed~~ administered ~~individually or together~~ simultaneously.

~~sequentially or separately~~, optionally together with customary excipients or vehicles, ~~and~~  
~~the mixture is in a suitable administration form.~~

Claim 10. (Canceled)

Claim 11. (Currently Amended) A method for the treatment of allergic rhinitis  
~~and or~~ rhinoconjunctivitis comprising administering to a patient in need thereof, a  
combination of loteprednol or a pharmaceutically tolerable acceptable ester thereof and an  
antihistamine for simultaneous, sequential or separate administration.